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Art Unit	1743
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- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on 03-03-2003  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
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- iv. ☒ Other Pet. for ex. of time & fee

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- Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- a. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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For: PIPETTE HAVING A SMALL VOLUME DISPOSABLE TIP

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Sir:

In further response to the final rejection of January 2, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows:

In the claims:

Please add the following claim

6. A method of delivering precise quantities of liquid samples in the range of 0.2 to 1.2  $\mu$ l, said method comprising the following steps:
- providing a cylinder of plastic material which has a uniform inside diameter of about 0.2 to 0.3 mm., the cylinder having a distal end;
  - providing a disposable pipette tip consisting of extruded tubing of teflon® or other hydrophobic material, the tubing having relatively uniform inside and outside diameters, the inside portion of the tubing having a volume of about 0.2 to 2.0  $\mu$ l, the tubing having first and second ends;
  - connecting the first end of the tubing with the distal end of the cylinder;